Deployment of CISF along Indo-Nepal Border

1829. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposed to deploy the Central Industrial Security Force on the Indo-Nepal Border to stop ISI supported infiltration;

(b) if so, the threat perception in this regard; and

(c) the other actions proposed to counter fundamentalist elements from spreading their activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However a Group of Ministers (GoM), set up in April 2000, reviewed the national security system in its entirety and recommended deployment of Special Service Bureau (SSB) on Indo-Nepal Border. The recommendations of the GoM have been accepted and action has been initiated to deploy SSB on this border.

(c) Besides deployment of SSB on Indo-Nepal Border, bilateral' mechanism of Home Secretary Level Talks and Joint Working Group exists to discuss the issues of mutual interests between the two countries. The Government has also adopted a coordinated multi-pronged approach to check illegal cross-border activities which includes strengthening of border management, and upgradation/ modernization of the Police & Security Forces etc.

ISI plan to infiltrate armed forces

1830. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:
SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report, "ISI plans to infiltrate armed forces, incident of militants joining and deserting CRPF reported" appearing in the Deccan Chronicle dated 21st February, 2002;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and